

**SB 5746-S - DIGEST**

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Requires the state to assume a share of primary and general election costs.

Provides that, if a mandatory recount is required under RCW 29A.64.021 for an office where a candidate for the office must file the declaration of candidacy with the secretary of state, the county auditor shall determine the expense of conducting the recount and file an expense claim for such costs with the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall reimburse the county an amount equal to seventy-five percent of the cost of the recount.

Provides that, if the recount was requested for an office where a candidate for the office must file the declaration of candidacy with the secretary of state, and the recount changed the results of the primary or election, the canvassing board shall file an expense claim for the costs of that recount with the secretary of state. The secretary of state shall reimburse the county an amount equal to seventy-five percent of the cost of the recount.